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Sir:

With respect to the documents listed in the I.D.S. filed today, namely USP 7,362,021, German Utility Model DE 200 19 289-U1 and corresponding US SN 09/716,745, now abandoned,

<u>no item</u> of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and,

to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, $\underline{\text{no item}}$ of information contained in the information disclosure statement as known to any individual designated in \$1.56(c), more than three months prior to the filing of today's Information Disclosure Statement.

The DE 200 19 289-U1 document was cited by opposing party Elektrosil on $\underline{21~JUL.~2010}$ (less than 3 months ago) in an inter-partes proceeding relating to a corresponding EP patent owned by the assignee of the present application, EBM-PAPST ST. GEORGEN GmbH & Co. KG.

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